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Case No. 8285-430

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gruchala et al.

Serial No: 09/844,716

Examiner: B. Bui

Filed: April 25, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2642

For: Method and System for Providing a  
Work-at-Home Telecommunication  
Service

### REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.



Applicant is:



a small entity, verified statement is:



attached



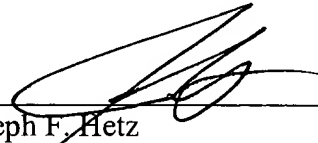
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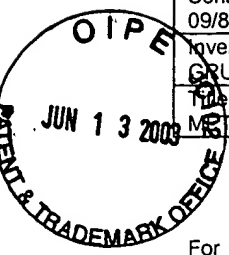
- ☒ other than small entity
- ☒ The fee set forth in § 1.17(e) must be filed along with this request:
- ☒ Attached is a check for the § 1.17(e) fee.
- ☐ Charge the § 1.17(e) fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.  
A duplicate copy of this request is attached.
- ☒ A submission must be filed along with this request. The following submission(s) is(are) filed herewith:
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
- ☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in Support of Patentability
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ A petition and fee for an extension of the time is enclosed herewith.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the additional claims fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this request is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 10, 2003

  
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Title of Invention METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING A WORK-AT-HOME TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (in duplicate); Request For Continued Examination (in duplicate); Amendment and Record of Interview (with Tab A); \$750 Check; \$410 Check; \$180 Check; and Postcard Receipt.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ Petition for a 2 month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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					Small Entity		or	Other Than Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee		Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus		10	x \$9=			x \$18=	180
Indep.		Minus			x 42=			x \$84=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$140=			+ \$280=	
					Total add'l fee	\$		Total add'l fee	\$180

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- ☒ Checks in the amount of \$750, \$410 and \$180 to cover the 1.17(e), petition, and additional claim fees are enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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